

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

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Donald L. Carcieri Governor

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TO THE HONORABLE, THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 14, Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Rhode Island and Section 43-1-4 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I transmit, with my disapproval, 2010 S 2213, as amended, "An Act Relating to State Affairs and Government – Rhode Island Economic Development Corporation."

This bill would require that all board members of the Rhode Island Airport Corporation, a subsidiary of the Economic Development Corporation, be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. One such member must be appointed from a list of three candidates submitted by the Mayor of Warwick.

Respectfully, I must decline to support this bill because it unduly infringes on the appointment power of the Governor under Article 9, Section 5 of the Rhode Island Constitution by limiting the Governor's selection of a member a state board to a list of three candidates submitted by a non-state public official. This approach effectively allows the appointment of a state board member to be made by the Mayor of Warwick.

For these reasons, I disapprove of this legislation and respectfully urge your support of this veto.

Sincerely,

Donald L. Cariceri

Governor